

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 2 as with the following amended paragraph:

~~This is a continuation in part of U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 10/058,629 entitled “Decorating System for Edible Items” filed on January 28, 2002 by Spurgeon et al., which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 09/144,046 filed on August 31, 1998, now abandoned, which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application Ser. No. 60/079,335 filed on March 25, 1998. This application also claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application Ser. No. 60/554,601, entitled “Decorating System for Edible Items,” filed on March 19, 2004 by Schnobelen et. al, the entirety of which is incorporated herein by reference.~~